CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA

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CITY NAMES SEAN JOYCE AS ITS INTERIM CITY MANAGER

The Huntington Beach City Council has selected Sean Joyce to serve as Interim City Manager and his appointment was formally considered at a Special Meeting of the City Council on December 14. Mr. Joyce has over 33 years of municipal government experience, and retired as Irvine City Manager in February 2018.

Upon his appointment, Mr. Joyce will temporarily fill the role currently held by Oliver Chi, who has accepted the City Manager position for the City of Irvine. Mr. Chi’s last day with the City of Huntington Beach will be December 23, and the City is in the process of conducting a national recruitment to fill the permanent city manager position, which will likely be completed at some point during the first half of 2022.

“We have been incredibly fortunate to have Oliver leading our community over the past several years,” says Mayor Barbara Delgleize. “His OneHB vision has established a team oriented environment at City Hall and equipped our departments with thoughtful leaders and staff who are committed to serving our community with exceptionality. We are so very appreciative of Oliver’s leadership, and we are confident that Mr. Joyce is the right person to successfully shepherd our community during this transition period.”

In addition to having served as Irvine City Manager, Mr. Joyce also held the role of City Manager for the cities of South Pasadena and Sierra Madre. Following his retirement in February 2018, Mr. Joyce joined Alliance Resource Consulting, a national executive recruiting firm, where he currently serves as Regional Director.

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REPUBLIC STRIKE ENDS 12/16; SERVICE RAMPS UP TODAY

TRASH SERVICES UPDATE: TEMPORARY ROUTE INFO
December 16, 2021

- In an effort to catch up and return to the regular trash collection schedule by 12/20, Republic has increased service and will primarily serve Thursday and Friday customers over the next 2 days:
  - Friday customers - 12/17 and 12/18
  - Thursday customers - 12/18

- Starting 12/20, Republic will return to the regular trash collection schedule.

- If you have extra bagged trash, please place it on the curb next to your bins.

- All 5 citywide trash drop-off locations will remain open daily, through 12/22.

- Street sweeping continues; however, the City will not issue street sweeping citations through 12/26.
NEW EPISODE OF HIDDEN HUNTINGTON BEACH

Host Chris Epting visits the HB International Surf Museum and uncovers old artifacts from the old Surf Theater, 1914 pier and more! Watch the new Hidden HB episode here: http://ow.ly/iGUT50H9MPK
TRAFFIC AND BIKE LANE ENHANCEMENTS BEGIN ON DELAWARE

Public Works began installing traffic and bike lane enhancements on Delaware Street. Phase One will reimagine the layout, operation and function of Delaware between Adams Avenue and Atlanta Avenue; Phase Two will take place north of Adams Avenue to Main Street. The project will consist of:

- New protected bike lanes, providing residents with a safe route downtown.
- Improved traffic calming, encouraging slower traffic speeds and more responsible motorist behavior.

This project will not result in the removal of any vehicle travel lanes. Please call Public Works at (714) 375-5010 with any questions.
NEW RAILING INSTALLATION BEGINS AT BLUFF TOP PARK

Installation of the Bluff Top Improvement Project began on December 6 and will wrap up in February 2022.

The project will replace the metal railing along Bluff Top Park with wooden lodge poles and also add new aluminum railing along the stairway.

In total, the project will provide approximately 8,000 linear feet of railing to frame the Park’s beautiful view of the Pacific Ocean.
HELPFUL HOLIDAY TIPS

During this holiday season, the Huntington Beach Fire Department would like to remind you about fire safety. The celebration of the season brings increased usage of electric lights, candles, space heaters, and Christmas trees. Listed below are important points to remember and follow to have a safe holiday season.

Holiday Lights
- Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets.
- Do not overload electrical outlets.
- Do not leave holiday lights on unattended.
- If you use holiday lights outside, make sure they are rated for outdoor use.

Christmas Trees
- Make sure you keep your tree watered. Without daily watering, your Christmas tree could become highly flammable and just take mere seconds to become fully engulfed in flames.
- Never use outside lights on your Christmas tree. These lights can produce enough heat to dry out your tree and will increase the chance of fire.
- Ensure your artificial tree is flame retardant.
- Always check your decorative lights for frayed wires and other possible defects.
- Always turn your decorative lights off when leaving your home and before going to bed.

Candles
- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from walls, curtains, decorations or other materials that may burn.
- Extinguish all candles when you leave the room or go to sleep.
- Never leave a child or a pet alone with a burning candle in the room.
- Make sure when you burn candles you do so in a stable, noncombustible holder.
HELPFUL HOLIDAY TIPS - CONTINUED

Portable Space Heaters
- Improperly used space heaters are one of the leading causes of home fire deaths.
- Keep portable space heaters at least three feet away from walls, curtains, bedding or other materials that may burn.
- Turn off portable space heaters when you leave the room. Never leave them on when you go to bed.
- Plug cords only into outlets with sufficient capacity and never into an extension cord.

One of Huntington Beach Fire Department’s main goal is to eliminate all emergencies due to Holiday fires. Please remember that we can all do our part this Holiday Season by eliminating fires. The Huntington Beach Fire Department wishes you and your family a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.
 Permit Center
 Holiday Information

LIMITED INSPECTIONS
THURSDAY, DEC. 23RD
THURSDAY, DEC. 30TH

OFFICE CLOSED*
THURSDAY, DEC. 23RD
FRIDAY, DEC. 24TH
THURSDAY, DEC. 30TH
FRIDAY, DEC. 31ST

ACA PORTAL OPEN DURING CLOSURE FOR SUBMITTALS AND INSPECTION SCHEDULING.
*PHONE CALLS WILL NOT BE ANSWERED WHEN OFFICE IS CLOSED.

WE WISH YOU A SAFE AND RESTFUL HOLIDAY SEASON
PERMIT CENTER STAFF
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
We Look Forward to Receiving Your Feedback!

As a valued stakeholder in the community, the City of Huntington Beach would like your feedback on a potential multi-use path along portions of the Talbert Channel and Huntington Beach Channel. Under this proposal which follows the City’s adopted Bicycle Master Plan, existing service roads adjacent to the channels could be improved to create a safer and more direct way for residents to bike, walk, or ride other non-motorized vehicles to access the beach, schools, parks and other amenities throughout the City. The multi-use path could also connect with the existing Santa Ana River Trail system and allow for greater regional access to neighboring points of interest.

There will be multiple opportunities to provide feedback online and in-person on the potential improvements. Click [https://bit.ly/3kZAXbh](https://bit.ly/3kZAXbh) to check out the project website to learn more about the potential multi-use path, find out about upcoming meetings and events, and provide feedback through taking a short survey.

In case you have any additional questions on Trails to the Sea, you may contact John Nguyen at John.Nguyen@surfcity-hb.org or Michael Nilsson at HBTrailstotheSea@koacorp.com. We look forward to hearing from you!
CENTRAL LIBRARY NEWS

The Huntington Beach Public Library would like to extend the warmest of holiday wishes to the community during this special time of year. Although the Central Library and the four branch libraries will be closed on Friday, December 24 and Saturday, December 25, the Central Library will be open again on Sunday, December 26, from 12 to 5 p.m.

MAKERSPACE OPEN HOURS

The Central Library's Makerspace will be offering plenty of opportunities to learn new technologies or even create a special Christmas gift! Be sure to sign up for a slot on any of the following days – Saturday, December 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesdays, December 21 and 28 from 2-6 p.m., and Thursdays, December 23 and 30 from 2-6 p.m. Those with an appointment will be given priority on the equipment. To make a reservation for an hour-long session, click: https://hbpl.libcal.com/reserve/makerspace.
CHILDREN’S LIBRARY NEWS

December is Program Vacation Month in the children's library. Although none of the regularly-scheduled programs for children and families (including storytimes, Creativity Corner, Wise Owl Book Club) are taking place during this time, they will all be back on January 3, 2022. For a schedule of upcoming events in January, click here.

LITERACY DEPARTMENT

For those interested in help preparing for the Naturalization Exam to become a U.S. Citizen, the Literacy Volunteers at the Huntington Beach Central Library are pleased to present another series of their popular “Citizenship Classes.” The classes begin on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 from 10 a.m. to noon and will continue every Wednesday for 11 weeks, until March 16, 2022. Instructors will cover all aspects of the exam, including test questions and answers, some history, and what to expect during the exam. The class is free and open to the public, and will be in-person in the Balboa Room at the Central Library. This class is also ideal for anyone who would like a refresher course before their fast-approaching appointment, or someone who started the classes but was not able to finish. Class size is limited, so advance registration is required. Click here to register.
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY EVENT

Kick off the New Year with the first 2022 Author's Luncheon, featuring TV writer, producer and author Hollie Overton and debut novelist Joani Elliott on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at noon. Book sales and author signings will take place after the presentations, which include a discussion of Overton’s novel *The Runaway*, and Elliot's first novel *The Audacity of Sara Grayson*. Doors open at 11:30, with lunch following at noon. The luncheon will take place in Rooms C/D on the lower level of the Central Library, accessible via the theater entrance. Reservations are available now until Monday, January 10. Visit the Friends’ website to download the necessary registration form. Attendees may also register in person (cash/check only) at the Friends Gift Shop inside the Central Library.
The Main Street Branch is now fully open, and is ready to welcome the community back to the library! For those who want a comfy and inviting place to relax, escape the elements, or simply read, this is the place to be. Come find a spot by the Christmas Tree after checking out the festive, seasonal display case in the foyer.
Looking for a book to read to help get into the Christmas spirit? No problem. Librarians have filled a whole cart with children's picture books, easy readers, fiction and non-fiction, so kids of all ages are sure to find the perfect book. There are even some books set aside for adults that feature the kind of romantic, cozy, family reunion or festive holiday settings ideal for this time of year. Either way, the library staff at the Main Street branch is eagerly looking forward to providing their patrons with plenty of book suggestions to keep readers of all ages happy during the holiday break. The branch is located at 525 Main Street and is open Tuesday-Thursday 9 am - 6 pm, Friday and Saturday 9 am - 5 pm (closed on December 24 and 25). The Oak View library has also resumed their regular hours -- and then some! The branch is now open until 9 p.m. Monday-Friday and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. To help celebrate the new Saturday hours, Oak View is proud to offer a special weekend activity – Saturday’s Arts and Crafts, taking place all morning from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm! The next one is coming up on Saturday, December 18, and the sessions will resume after the new year, on Saturday, January 8.

Children of all ages, kindergarten and up, are invited to join other art enthusiasts to make some fun arts or crafts projects! The Oak View Branch is located at 17251 Oak Lane, and is open Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Don’t forget – the Banning Branch Library is open Tuesday-Thursday 9 am to 6 pm, and Friday-Saturday 9 am to 1 pm, and the Helen Murphy library is open Monday and Wednesday 1 to 7 p.m., and Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
The Youth Volleyball league ended with an action packed game at the City Gym and Pool! The 1st place Spikers Team took on the 3rd place Volleyballers! The teams fought hard and took the championship match all the way to the third game after the Spikers took game one and the Volleyballers came right back with the equalizer. After an action packed game three, the Spikers came out victorious, winning the match and the league! A HUGE thank you to the VOLUNTEER coaches that made this season possible! It was a great season for everyone!

Next up is the Coed Youth Basketball League! Registration is currently ongoing and the league will begin on January 8, 2022. Find out more at HBSands.org or call us directly at (714)-960-8870.
HBPD PARTNERS WITH U.S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE AND PORSCHE ORANGE COAST ON TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

On Saturday, December 11, the Huntington Beach Police Department co-hosted a Toys for Tots Toy Drive with the United States Marine Corps Reserve and the Porsche Club Orange Coast. Thank you to all who came and donated toys! The event was a huge success, collecting 32 boxes of toys. There are going to be a lot of happy kids this holiday season thanks to the community’s support.

HBPD TOY DONATION EVENT

Do you know of a deserving family who may need a little support this holiday season? The Huntington Beach Police Department wants to give back! We are asking for our community’s help in identifying families who are in need of toys this holiday season. Now until December 20, submit your nomination and HBPD will be selecting as many families as possible based on need. To nominate, visit our website at www.hbpd.org and use the link at the top of the homepage.
COME “SKATE WITH HBPD” AT SURF CITY WINTER WONDERLAND ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

On Wednesday, December 22, officers and other representatives from the Huntington Beach Police Department will be on hand at the City’s Winter Wonderland at Pier Plaza for a special “Skate with HBPD” event. Join HBPD for a festive evening of ice skating, hot chocolate and other holiday goodies. Officers will be in attendance between the hours of 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. – we look forward to seeing you there!
HBPD is now hiring! We're looking for hardworking candidates ready and willing to serve the HB community.

The HBPD is currently seeking individuals for the following roles:

- Police Recruit
- Police Officer (Experienced)
- Communications Operator (Trainee)
- Communications Operator (Experienced)
- Police Cadet

For more, visit www hbpd org careers
“I am honored to be asked to serve the iconic community of Huntington Beach as Interim City Manager,” said Mr. Joyce. “Oliver has done an excellent job of leading the City, and we will work closely together during these next few weeks to ensure a seamless transition that will help keep Huntington Beach moving forward.”

Throughout his career, Mr. Joyce has provided executive leadership to diverse communities throughout the region, prioritizing fiscal growth and stability, capital investments to strengthen infrastructure, and human services to support a community’s most vulnerable residents.

Mr. Joyce holds a Master’s Degree from California State University of Fullerton in Public Administration. Pending approval of his employment agreement, Mr. Joyce will assume his new role as Interim City Manager on December 20, 2021.
Our new Winter Wonderland Ice Skating Rink at Pier Plaza is now open and with a calendar full of special events! The Rink offers a one-of-a-kind holiday experience next to our famous beaches. Learn more and reserve your tickets in advance here.

LEGENDARY LOCAL: COMMUNITY LEADER SHIRLEY DETTLOFF

Shirley Dettloff is a true Legendary Local who has served the Huntington Beach community as both an elected official, teacher, activist and much more. Watch here on HBTV 3!
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